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WHEREAS, Kathleen Finn is an activist and community leader, who has dedicated countless hours toward improving the community and quality of lives for all those who live within the Talmadge neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, Kathleen Finn was born in Newark, New Jersey, where she graduated from the Mountainside School of Nursing, in 1962; and

WHEREAS, in 1963, Kathleen Finn moved to Jersey City, New Jersey, where she worked as a Registered Nurse with a Baccalaureate in Health Education and Nursing; and

WHEREAS, in 1967, Kathleen Finn earned her master's degree in Nursing from the University of California Los Angeles, where she specialized in Psychiatric Nursing; and

WHEREAS, throughout her career, Kathleen Finn worked as an alcohol rehabilitation researcher, a supervising nurse within a narcotic drug treatment program and a nurse consultant for the developmentally disabled; and

WHEREAS, after eighteen years, Kathleen Finn changed careers and joined the San Diego branch of E.F. Hutton as a stockbroker and then moved to a San Diego branch of Citigroup, Smith Barney as a Certified Financial Planner, where she retired from earlier this year; and

WHEREAS, in partnership with a variety of National, Federal, State and City agencies and with Talmadge community organizations and neighbors, Kathleen Finn created the

Talmadge Fire Safe Council [TFSC], in 2004, to mobilize the community to protect lives, residences and natural resources within Talmadge from wildfire; and

WHEREAS, Kathleen Finn and the TFSC developed a Firewise and Community Wildfire

Protection Plan for the Talmadge community and achieved national recognition for Talmadge as
a Firewise Community; and

WHEREAS, Kathleen Finn and the TFSC received a grant through the California Fire Safe Council to pursue tax exempt non-profit organization status and received two grants from the United States Forest Service for brush management around canyon ridgeline homes in high-risk areas of Talmadge; and

WHEREAS, Kathleen Finn and the TFSC offer educational interactive programs with homeowners with wood roofs to encourage them to convert to Class A fire-rated roofs and have worked with the City to trim brush along the main thoroughfares leading into Talmadge; and

WHEREAS, Kathleen Finn is a shining example of how one person can make an enormous difference in a community – she truly is an invaluable asset to Talmadge; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of San Diego, that this Council, for and on behalf of the people of San Diego, does hereby commend and thank Kathleen Finn for the contributions she has made to the City of San Diego's Talmadge community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of San Diego, that this Council, for and on behalf of the citizens of San Diego, hereby proclaims October 11, 2008, as "KATHLEEN FINN DAY" in the City of San Diego.

APPROVED AS TO FORM: MICHAEL J. AGUIRRE, City Attorney

By

Pat Zaharopoulos

Deputy City Attorney

PZ:cw 10/10/08

Or.Dept:Council-Atkins

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was passed by the Council of the City of San Diego, at this meeting of $\underline{NOV~1~8~2008}$.

ELIZABETH S. MALAND

City Clerk

Deputy City Clerk

Approved: 11-24-08

(date)

ERRY SANDERS, Mayor

Vetoed:

(date)

JERRY SANDERS, Mayor